

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS
EXCURSION TO THE HAWKESBURY RIVER.

In conjunction with the Steamer GENERAL GORDON.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4.

TRAIN will leave Sydney at 9.30 a.m. and return at 4.30 p.m. The River Trip will occupy 5 hours.

RETURN FARES from Sydney and Suburban Stations to Hawkesbury (Steamer Trip): First-class, 1s 6d; Second-class, 6d.

REFRESHMENTS can be obtained on board the steamer at reasonable rates.

B E R Y S H O W
WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, AND FRIDAY,
FEBRUARY 4, 5, and 6.

CHEAP TICKETS AT SINGLE FARE FOR THE RETURN JOURNEY will be issued to BEERLY by the un-demonstrative train, available for return until SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1904.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4.—At Sydney and intermediate stations, by 8.30 a.m. On

the return trip, 4.30 p.m.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5.—At Sydney and intermediate stations, by 8.30 a.m. On

the return trip, 4.30 p.m.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6.—At Sydney and intermediate stations, by Special Train leaving Sydney at 7.30 a.m., and also from Kilmarnock and intermediate stations by Special Train leaving Kilmarnock at 10.30 a.m.

At Nows by Special Train leaving Nows at 10.40 a.m.

HOLIDAY EXCURSION TICKETS will be issued to BEERLY at SYDNEY, NOWRA, and INTERMEDIATE STATIONS, commencing on TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4; and available by train to Hawkesbury at 4.30 p.m. on FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6, and available for return until SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1904.

For intermediate times of the running of special trains see handbills.

By order of the Commissioners.

H. McLACHLAN, Secretary.

AMUSEMENTS.

TO-NIGHT. TO-NIGHT.

GRAND SEMI-SMOKE CONCERT.

TOWN HALL, SYDNEY.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1904.

REPRESENTATION OF ADDRESS to Mr. EDMUND POWELL, C.M.G., by Mr. JOHN REE, R.C.M.G., SPECIAL PROGRAMME.

SPECIAL ARTISTS.

Mrs. NORA LONG (Soprano).

Miss DALE D'ALMIPALE (Contralto).

Mr. ALLEN NEILL (Soprano).

CHARLES BOSENTHAL (Baritone).

JOHN COOK (Tenor).

DAN CUNNING (Bass).

THE SYDNEY CHORISTERs under the direction of Mr. ARTHUR MARSH.

THE POLICE BAND under direction of Bandmaster BENTLEY.

Accompanied by Mr. ARTHUR MARSH (City Organist).

DOORS open at 7 p.m.; CONCERT at 7.45 p.m.

Body of Hall for Smokers. Ladies and non-smokers in REPRODUCTION by FLEMING, of Brisbane City.

ADMISSION: ONE SHILLING TO ALL PARTS.

TICKETS obtainable at all Government Dep'ts, Post Offices, and at the Doors.

E. H. C. BROWNLOW (Mines) 1 Committee.

H. B. VAUTIN (Lands).

M. E. L. B. S. P. U. M. H. K. M.

MR. HERBERT PLUMPTRE

at the close of the QUEEN'S HALL, PITTS-STREET, began to thank his numerous patrons for their unvaried and continuing support. After a few words he continued the last six words, and to express his regret at his inability to accommodate as many of the public as he would have liked to do, he said: "I am sorry to tell the last night. Mr. Plumptre wishes to be understood that all tickets issued to those who were unable to obtain them, will be returned to whom the money was not returned, will be available on presentation at the Box Office."

THE TOWN HALL, SATURDAY, APRIL 2nd.

MR. HERBERT PLUMPTRE

will make his re-appearance in Sydney.

THE QUEEN'S HALL on and after APRIL 6th.

THE LADIES RACE, 1000 FEET.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4.

ENTRIES received on the Grounds by Post until WEDNESDAY MORNING.

LADIES RACE, 1000 FEET, FEBRUARY.

JENOLAN CAVE.

BY MOTOR CAR.

THE IDEAL TRIP OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

FIRST DAY.—Leave Sydney 5.25 p.m. train for Blackheath, stay at Braemar Hotel. SECOND DAY.—Morning inspection. Motor to Blackheath. Coach to Govett's Leap. THIRD DAY.—Leave by Braemar to Jenolan Caves. FOURTH DAY.—Return from Sydney, including Hotel accommodation, 6s.

Apply to proprietors, Jenolan Hotel, Blackheath; or

THOMAS COOK, LTD., 4 Hunter-street, Sydney.

F. P. AND ICE CO., LTD., REPRENTATION AND LUNCHEON ROOMS, 92 KING-STREET.

Est. 20 years.

LIGHT AND FULL LUNCHEONS.

AFTERNOON RENDEZVOUS FOR LADIES TETE-A-TETE.

PRIVATE MEETING PLACES FOR PLAIN DINNER AND TEA.

Breakfasts and Cream and Fruit Salads a Specialty.

Orders received at this Depot for all Departments.

CONSULT US FOR W-ING BREAKFASTS AND RECEPITIONS.

A ANNIVERSARY REGATTA, 1904.

The PRINCESS won at the above Regatta will be present by Mr. H. B. H. BROWNLOW, the JOHN MAYOR (BROWNS) on MONDAY EVENING at the Australian Hotel at 8 o'clock.

J. H. HARRIS, J. C. W. BLACKNEY, Hon. Secy.

ROSEBERRY PARK RACERS.

THE DAY.—1000 FEET.

FIRST RACE, 2.15 p.m.

Special Train 12.45 p.m. and every 10 minutes until 1.45 p.m.

Return Train (12.45 p.m.) to Rosberry, Botany, away to Rosberry.

A. E. BATEMAN, Secretary.

BRIGHTON RACE-HOUSE.

FRIDAY, 4 FEBRUARY, 1904.

1000 FEET.

MEETINGS.

GENERAL AND REFORM ASSOCIATION.
THE ANNUAL MEETING will be held in St. James' Hall, Phillip-street, on THURSDAY, 4th FEBRUARY, at 8 p.m.

BUSINESS:
To review the work of the year and arrange for future operations.
To Elect Officers and Council for the ensuing year.
Hon. J. H. CALDER, Mr. J. Ashton, M.L.A., C. E. Wade, M.L.A., Mrs. Mayhew Parke, Mr. James Graham.

BENJAMIN JAMES, Hon. Secretary.

AN IMPORTANT MEETING of the Australian EX-TELEGRAMMISTS will be held TO-NIGHT, at 8 o'clock, in the Protestant Hall, Castlereagh-street, Sydney. The meeting will be opened by the Hon. J. H. CALDER, Mr. J. Ashton, M.L.A., C. E. Wade, M.L.A., Mrs. Mayhew Parke, Mr. James Graham.

SYDNEY RIDGWAY, Secretary.

THE AUSTRALIAN GENERAL MEETING OF THE TRADE will be held at Schneider's Hall, Q. V. Market-street, Sydney, on THURSDAY, 4th FEBRUARY, at 8 p.m. A Modified Log of Wages and Hours, submitted by the Employees.

SECRETARY, C. H. LASCELLER.

SECRETARY, N.S.W. A. & C. M. Association.

UNION CLUB.—Members are reminded that the Annual Meeting will be held on Saturday, 2nd February, at 2 p.m.

By order, C. H. LASCELLER.

A. NO. 1 PHARMACIST, Moonlight Conference Hall and Dance, Bondi Island, Monday, 1st February. Tickets, 5/- each. Box Office, 100 Pitt-street.

W. H. COOPER, Secretary.

G.L.A. No. 4, No. 850, Sydney.—TO-NIGHT, 7.30, R.A.P. at 8 o'clock. Visitors, etc.

STOCK, SHARES, AND MONEY.

YOU CAN BORROW MONEY.

You can Borrow it on any security.

You can Borrow it privately.

You can Borrow it at the lowest rates in Sydney.

from the AUSTRALIAN INVESTMENTS COMPANY, LIMITED, 43 Elizabeth-street, between King and Hunter-streets, Sydney.

Apply for Particulars.

WHY PAY EXORBITANT INTEREST?

When you can obtain a private loan on furniture, securities, etc., from £10 upwards, no charge is made for the first £100, and for £100 upwards, no charge is made for the first £1000.

MORTGAGE.—So do not be misled by flattering advertising, as some now are, and make up your mind to pay me and I will positively make you an advance, also pay off any loan at the same time.

GEORGE WILLIAMS, 178 Phillip-street, Mr. King, city.

THE STATE LOAN COMPANY.

105 KING-STREET, Sydney, from PITTS-STREET, THE CHEMISTS IN THE CITY FOR KING-OF-THE-CITY.

JOEL PHILLIPS.

State Corner of MARKET and CASTLEROAGH-STREETS, has removed business at 118 LANEY-COURT, MARSHALL and CASTLEROAGH-STREETS, directly opposite my business.

As I have no big-salaried managers to pay, my business is conducted on a small scale, so that I can do the business myself, thereby saving that heavy expense. Borrowers therefore have the benefit of

I will not say a lot of rot, what I can do, BUT what I WILL LEND YOU, and charge you one point; also, two points, and three points, and four points, and so on, up to 10 per cent.

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(For Shipping, Meteorological, and Mail Notices see page 8.)

BIRTHS.

ROBESON—January 20, at Avenue-road, Mosman, the wife of Walter H. Goss, a son, stillborn.

MARRIAGES.

ATLANTIC—Left on January 18 for the Rainier's Cathedral, Boston, by the Very Rev. Dean Marrett, Major Charles Lyford, only son of the late C. J. F. Lyford, Baltimore, and his bride, fourth daughter of John Lee, of Kirtlington, Kent.

DEATHS.

ANDERSON—January 20, at Sydney Hospital, Frederick, eldest son of Hans Anderson, of 22 Pitt-street, Sydney, in his 20th year. R.I.P.

DOLMAN—January 20, at 10a.m., 18a.m., 22 Hobson-street, Leichhardt, Frederick Harry Cole, the beloved husband of Elizabeth Cole, aged 44 years, Melbourne.

HARPER—January 25, at Perth, Alastair Harper, late Newtown, Sydney, aged 70 years.

HILL—January 25, at St. Vincent's Hospital, Melbourne, Helen, wife of Arthur G. Leslie, bridge, East of Melbourne and Queensland, and third daughter of J. B. Leslie, of 18a.m., 22 Daring-hurst, Sydney. May she rest in peace.

PEEL—January 21, at his residence, 43 Pitt-street, Sydney, the eldest son of George and Margaret Pont, of Temple, aged 38 years, after a short but painful illness.

SPINKS—January 21, at her residence, Cremorne, Coogee, a son, a stillborn, the wife of the late Mr. and Mrs. Spinks, in her 71st year.

PRESTAGE—January 20, at Tarviton, Waverley, Richard Bradley Tracey, aged 56. No flowers, by special request.

WHITEHORN—January 20, at Cardross Private Hospital, Macleay-street, Sydney, John Wigستان, late of 10a.m., 22 Pitt-street, Sydney.

WOODHAMS—January 20, at his residence, 427 Liverpool-street, Parramatta, John Woodhams, late of Christchurch, New Zealand, aged 80 years. New Zealand papers present.

IN MEMORY.

BELLANT—In loving memory of our dear son, Edward Henry (Eddie), who departed this life February 1, 1903, aged 18 years, and his beloved wife, Mrs. Bellant.

BELLANT—In loving memory of our dear Edward Henry, who died February 1, 1903, aged 8 years, and his beloved wife, Mrs. Bellant.

WHITEHORN—In loving memory of our dear son, Edward Henry, who died February 1, 1903, aged 8 years, and his beloved wife, Mrs. Bellant.

BELLANT—In aid and loving memory of Maggie, the dearly beloved wife of William Bellant, whom she departed this life February 1, 1903, aged 38 years, and her son, Edward Henry, and George. May God have mercy on her soul.

BELLANT—In aid and loving memory of our dear son, David Austin Cook, who was accidentally killed whilst riding Loth Leth in the Anniversary Handicap at the Royal Randwick Racecourse, and is now forgotten, by his loving father and mother.

COOK—In loving memory of David Austin Cook, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Cook, who died January 20, 1903, aged 21 years, and his beloved brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. H. Cook.

BELLANT—In aid and loving memory of our dear father, James Deacon, who died at Launceston February 1, 1903, aged 70 years, and his beloved wife, Mrs. Deacon, Mary, Esther, Jim, and Ada Flanagan, Gres. Bures.

DAILLINGHAM—In loving memory of my dear father, John Daillingham, who died at the Royal Hotel, Sydney, February 1, 1903, aged by his loving son, John.

Inimicous heart of Mary.

Our prayer for your repose.

Love many on your soul.

BERRARD—In loving memory of our dear Maggie, who died January 20, 1903, aged 21 years, and her beloved son, Bertie, in her 21st year.

HUFF—In aid and loving memory of our dear son, Bertie, the late son of Bertie and his beloved wife, Mrs. Bertie, and George. May God have mercy on her soul.

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SPECIAL CABLES.
FROM THE "HERALD'S" LONDON CORRESPONDENTS.

ILLNESS OF THE DUKE OF CAMBRIDGE.

LONDON, Jan. 29.
The Duke of Cambridge, a cousin of the King, is ill.

A BY-ELECTION.

ANOTHER LIBERAL GAIN.

LONDON, Jan. 31.
The election for the representation of the Ayr in the House of Commons, due to the death of Mr. C. L. Orr-Ewing (Conservative), took place yesterday, and resulted in a Liberal victory. Mr. Dobble (Liberal) was returned by a majority of 44 votes over Mr. Younger (Unionist). The polling was as follows:

Mr. Dobble (Liberal) 8221
Mr. Younger (Unionist) 3177

The result of the contest at Ayr is another gain for the Liberals. That the excitement in the election was at fever heat is shown by the polling. 6,000 voters out of 7,027 on the roll voted, and 1,900, or 27 per cent., voted in the polling booth. Mr. L. Orr-Ewing (Conservative), 3,601; Colonel E. G. Browne (Liberal), 3,214.

ROMAN CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY FOR IRELAND.

ANOTHER PROPOSAL.

LONDON, Jan. 31.
In regard to the agitation for the establishment of a Roman Catholic University in Ireland, the Earl of Donoughue recommends the establishment of King's College, with the Dublin University, in the vicinity of the Dublin University, as Roman Catholic in atmosphere as Trinity College is Protestant.

A meeting of the Roman Catholic laity of Ireland has endorsed the principle contained in the proposals of Lord Dunraven. The Roman Catholic Bishops of Ireland have likewise endorsed the proposals.

Mr. J. Redmond, the leader of the Nationalists, insists that the Government should make practical proposals for the establishment of a Roman Catholic University in Ireland this session.

GERMAN SOUTH-WEST AFRICA.

THE REBELLION SPREADING.

LONDON, Jan. 29.
The Kaffirs in German South-West Africa have joined the Hereros who are attacking Okahandja.

PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE ABYSSINIAN COURT.

A COMPANY'S REFUSAL.

LONDON, Jan. 29.
M. Leontief, the Russian explorer, has been awarded 45,000 francs (£1,800) damages against the Paris Biograph and Mutoscope Company for not taking from him, as arranged, pictures representing the Court of the Emperor Menelik.

M. Leontief gave the Emperor two quick-draw guns and 40,000 cartridges to induce him to pose.

THE WOOL SALES.

LONDON, Jan. 29.
At the wool sales to-day prices were generally maintained. Low crossbreds were occasionally weak.

Jan. 30.
At the wool sales yesterday the following prices were realized for the undenominated clips:—Naturara, 8d.; Okawa, 9d.; Canow, 9d.; Tuppal, 10d.; Yatana, 12d.; Kyebelville, 13d.; Boonake, 20d.

Jan. 31.
At the wool sales yesterday prices of merino and fine crossbreds were fully maintained. Sheepfitter crossbreds were rather dragging of sale.

The following prices were realized for the undenominated clips:—Moorish, 11d.; Bandare, 20d.; Toorale, 23d.; Lianiko, 9d.; Levesham, 21d.; Browne, 10d.; Otago, 9d.; Crissope, 8d.

Up to Saturday there had been catalogued 116,898 bales, of which 111,762 had been sold.

H.M.S. CLIO.

LONDON, Jan. 30.
H.M.S. Clio, screw ship, which is to replace H.M.S. Sparrow on the Australian station, has sailed for Sydney.

A BISHOP DROWNED.

LONDON, Jan. 29.
Dr. Churton, Bishop of Nassau, has been accidentally drowned in the Bahamas.

SHOCKING MOTOR ACCIDENT.

A LADY KILLED.

LONDON, Jan. 29.
A shocking motor-car accident has occurred at Cannes, in the south of France.

The motor car, which was of English construction, ran into collision with a tree, and the occupants were thrown a distance of 20 yards.

Mrs. Rathbone, an American lady, was killed. Another lady had one of her arms and one of her legs, and also her collarbone fractured. Three men were badly injured.

DEATH OF BRIGADIER-GENERAL BINGHAM.

LONDON, Jan. 29.
The death is announced of Brigadier-General E. G. H. Bingham, formerly chief instructor of the school of gunnery, New South Wales.

The death of Brigadier-General Bingham was announced in the "Herald" on Saturday.

SAFETY OF THEATRES.

LONDON, Jan. 29.
Highly successful experiments have been made at the Alhambra Music Hall, London, of Mouf's process for fireproofing scenery and stage paraphernalia.

GENERAL CABLE NEWS.

LONDON, Jan. 29.
The search for the French transport Vieille, which had a cargo of gunpowder and was lost some weeks since whilst on a voyage from Toulon to Rochefort, has proved fruitless.

Jan. 30.
The report of the National Mortgage and Agency Company of New Zealand shows a profit of £21,604. A dividend of 1s 6d per share is recommended, together with a bonus of 6d. This is placed on the reserve £7115, and a sum of £7250 is carried forward.

STICK TO ARNOTT'S.
They are the finest Milk Arrowroot Biscuits manufactured, and have been proved to be nutritious and wholesome. ASK FOR ARNOTT'S—247.

GIVE THE CHILDREN

ARNOTT'S Milk Arrowroot Biscuits, made by special process for the delicate requirements of infants and children. 2d.

THE FAR EAST.

RUSSIA'S REPLY TO JAPAN.

DILEMMA IN DRAFTING.

EXCHANGES AFFECTED.

FIRING ON A RUSSIAN STEAMER.

LONDON, Jan. 30.
Count Lamendorff, the Russian Minister for Foreign Affairs, has intimated that the reply to the Japanese note will be transmitted to Tokyo next week. Great care has been bestowed on the drafting of the reply, and the views of Admiral Alexeoff, the Viceroy, are awaited before the draft is finally submitted to the Czar.

The Paris correspondent of "The Times" states that interviews with prominent Russians published by the Paris press, and utterances in other directions, show that the decisive attitude of Japan renders it extremely difficult for Russia to frame a war reply which will be neither provocative of war nor involve a complete surrender.

RUSSIAN STEAMER FIRED ON.

A "DAILY MAIL" REPORT.

LONDON, Jan. 30.
The Chita correspondent of the "Daily Mail" reports that a Japanese warship in the vicinity of Chemulpo, Korea, fired twice across the bows of the Russian merchantman Argon on its passage from Nagasaki, Japan, to Dalmat, Ta-lien-wei.

In response to the frantic appeals of the passengers of the Argon, her captain decided to stop, but there was no further challenge from the Japanese warship.

The Argon is a twin screw steamer of 24,190 tons and belongs to the Chinese Eastern Railway Company.

THE STOCK EXCHANGES.

LOSSES ON RUSSIAN STOCKS.

OTHERS AFFECTED.

LONDON, Jan. 29.
On reports being received from two sources that Russia refuses to guarantee the sovereignty of China in Manchuria, Russian and Japanese stocks fell in London.

EARLY CLOSING.

LONDON, Jan. 30.
Owing to a rumour that Russia is prohibiting the export of cereals from the empire French Rentes declined materially at Paris. Russian stocks suffered a heavy loss, and other stocks were affected.

The decline in Russian stocks at St. Petersburg reacted on the Berlin Bourse.

RUSSIAN MILITARY COMMAND.

LONDON, Jan. 31.

In the event of war between Russia and Japan and Germania, the Minister for War will command the land forces of Russia.

ACTIVITY OF RUSSIANS.

MOVEMENTS OF TROOPS.

LONDON, Jan. 29.
A Russian military party has crossed the Korean frontier near the Yalu.

The concentration of Cossacks on the Korean frontier continues.

The Russians are projecting the construction of a telegraph line from the mouth of the Yalu to Port Arthur.

A SIGNIFICANT ACTION.

LONDON, Jan. 29.
Japanese commercial houses in London have received instructions that they are not to negotiate commercial bills at present.

RAND LABOUR QUESTION.

ATTITUDE OF THE COLONIAL SECRETARY.

LONDON, Jan. 31.
The Premier of Western Australia (Mr. Walter Jameson) and the Minister of Finance (Mr. Gardner) arrived by the German mail steamer Friedrich der Grosse on Saturday, Jan. 31, from Melbourne by the mail special on Sunday, and Mr. Gardner will go to Mr. Butler and Mr. Prentiss on Wednesday.

EARLY CLOSING.

LONDON, Jan. 30.
A case under the Early Closing Act of must fail to appear before the magistrate on the 21st, or he will be liable to a fine of £1 and 10s. for having neglected to close his shop at 1 o'clock on Wednesday evening in accordance with the Act for a weekly holiday for the assistants. The case was practical, as to legal action for a week's pay or the value of a week's pay, or the value of the time of the assistants, was the only question.

The magistrate, Mr. Charron, held that the assistants were not entitled to a weekly holiday.

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